(1)	(2)	(3)
26.	West Bengal	62 with meal 65 without meal
27.	Andaman & Nicobar	100.00 (Andaman) 107.00 (Nicobar)
28.	Chandigarh	114.00
29.	Dadra & Nagar Haveli	89.00
30.	Delhi	125.80
31.	Pondicherry	
	Pondicherry	45.00 to 54.00 for 5 Hours
	Mahe Region	120.00 for light work (proposed for 8 Hours) 160.00 for hard work (proposed for 8 Hours)
	Yanam Region	55.00 to 75.00 for 6 Hours
	Karaikal	45.00 to 54.00 for 5 Hours

Labour intensive industries being replaced by new industries

372. SHRI T.T.V. DHINAKARAN: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that though the economy grew by over 20 percent during 1999 to 2003, employment grew only by 9.7 percent during the same period;

(b) if so, whether new industries are replacing labour intensive traditional industries; and

(c) the steps taken by Government to increase employment growth at par with economic growth?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) As per the available estimates, growth rate of Gross Domestic Product at constant prices during 1999-2000 was around 20.1%. The corresponding estimates of employment growth are not available.

(b) Since the initiation of the process of globalization and economic liberalization, some employment opportunities in the older type of enterprises might have been reduced due to declining efficiency but at the same time new employment opportunities are created in a number of new areas such as IT, Tourism, Financial Services etc.

(c) A target of creation of around 5 crore employment opportunities was fixed for the 10th Plan period. Out of these, nearly 3 crore employment opportunities will come from the normal growth of the economy assuming 8% per annum growth of Gross Domestic Product and remaining two crore will come from special employment generation programmes.

Trade Union rights to IT sector employees

373. SHRI S.S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether large number of people are employed in the Information Technology (IT) enterprises, namely Call Centres, BPOs, Software Development etc.;

(b) the State-wise details of such enterprises and number of persons employed therein, year-wise for the last three years, indicating their percentage *vis-à-vis* total workforce;

(c) whether the extant labour law/rules restrain the employees in IT sector from enjoying Trade Union (TU) rights;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether Government are contemplating steps to facilitate exercising of TU rights by IT sector employees in the country;

(f) if so, the details thereof; and

(g) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI CHANDRA SEKHAR SAHU): (a) As per National Association of Software and Service Companies (NASSCOM), employment in the Information Technology Services and Information Technology Enabled Services-BPO sector was 613000 in 2004-05.